

## February 8, 2018

## Via ECFS

Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, SW Washington, DC 20554

Re: NOTICE OF EX PARTE, WT Docket No. 17-79

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On Tuesday February 6, 2018, Marcelo Claure, CEO, along with Vonya McCann, Senior Vice President -- and Charles McKee, Vice President for Sprint Corporation ("Sprint") met with Commissioner Jessica Rosenworcel, and Umair Javed, Wireless Legal Advisor to Commissioner Rosenworcel to discuss eliminating barriers to Sprint's 4G and 5G deployments.

Sprint addressed the barriers that face Sprint and the wireless industry in our efforts to deploy 4G and 5G services and that the Commission should quickly address the regulatory obstacles that make the densification of wireless networks so difficult. Sprint noted the significant costs and delays Sprint faces in deployment of both macro cells and small cells that are essential to providing more coverage and capacity to America's mobile broadband customers.

Sprint also discussed its 1Million Project which is designed to help close America's homework gap. Sprint shared its progress in providing 1 million free devices and wireless service to high schools/districts for their low-income high school students who do not have home internet access.

Pursuant to Section 1.1206 of the Commission's Rules, Sprint hereby files this *ex parte* letter into the docket of the above-referenced proceeding.

Respectfully submitted,

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